Meeting of Bankers and Other Interests at Greenwood Results in Pooling Arrangement Being Perfected.

(Special to The News Scimitar.)
GREENWOOD, Miss., Dec. 10.—
The bankers of Greenville, Greenwood and Clarksdale have indorsed the pooling of the 1920 staple cotton crop, in order that the prices may be stabilized, and that it may be be stabilized, and that it may be marketed in an orderly manner. All the bankers of the staple cotton district will be asked to the conference in Clarksdale, so as to perfect im-mediate arrangements to pool the

present staple cotton crop.

It is estimated by very conserva-tive shippers and cotton men that the thorough pooling of the balance of the present crop will bring into this section fully \$20,000,000 in ex-cess of the prices that will be realized under the present selling and dumping arrangements of distressed cotton. It is estimated that only 20 per cent of this year's staple cot-ton has been marketed, which will leave the balance in round figures of over 450,000 bales. It is the ob-ject of this pool to sign up not less than 300,000 bales of the remaining effort to make it practically unani-

It will require the best effort of all the planters in this section to see that the bankers attend this meeting and give their earnest effort in solv-ing the problem. It means the sal-vation of the staple cotton producer, vation of the staple cotton producer, or at least many years of hard labor to remove the mortgages that will be caused by the failure to install this pooling arrangement. If in 30 days' time we can save many years of hard labor and discomfore and distress and poverty, it behooves us all to exert our utmost effort in seeing that this meeting be fully attended by the bankers and planters, and by the bankers and planters, and perfected at once to relietaoicmfwy

perfected at once to relietationally that this pooling arrangement be perfected at once to relieve our distressed market conditions.

The following pooling plan adopted, and the details will be worked out at Clarksdale bankers' meeting:

First, Create a pool of all available staple cotton in the delta and elsewhere with a fixed minimum of 200,000 bales, regardless of grade. 300,000 bales, regardless of grade. Second. Have the growers or owners give a definite power of atorney to eleven men, as trustees, to sell that cotton on the best terms and conditions securable in the world. Third. Include in these eleven trustees only planters or bankers holding cotton collateral.

Fourth. Issue uniform, Fourth, Issue uniform, bonded, graded, insured federal warehouse receipts for this cotton, same to be held in trust by local clearing house association or large trust company, and in lieu of same issue, in small denominations, a combination cotton certificate (or cotton bond), and a graded commodity receipt for 12 months' time, at rate of interest and on hears of loan value to be agreed on basis of loan value to be agreed by the banks and trust company and by the banks and trust company and trustees. This receipt to be for a specified grade of staple cotton, and for such a number of pounds of cotton, which, at the agreed loan value, will make the bond even denominations of \$50 and up.

Fifth, Arrange that the right of sale and distribution of this cotton shall be on the pool basis, substantially as is provided in the standard marketing contract of the Staple Cotton Co-operative association. This

marketing contract of the Staple Cotton Co-operative association. This will provide that every man in the pool receive the same for his cotton pool receive the same for his cotton as every man having a similar quan-tity and grade and staple of cotton. Sixth. Provide that no man shall he mid his prorata of the nool un-

til after the bonds have been retired expenditures shall have been met from the sale of cotton.

Seventh, Provide for a sales committee of five or three members, with

full power to invite bids and con-summate sales to the highest bid-ders in the trade for manufacturing.

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a.o. in no case to speculators.

Eighth. Provide that this committee shall have full power to make
the conditions of sale, subject to
the approval of the board of trustees as attorneys in fact.

Ninth. Provide that the power of
attorney shall be in effect from Jan.
1, 1921, to Dec. 31, 1921. That the
selling committee shall find a manufacturing market for the cotton during that interval and that any cotton, if unsaleable, than remaining on ton, if unsaleable, than remaining on hand at the stated time, shall be as-sessed in value and proportionately prorated back to the members of the

Tenth. Provide that where cotton is now held as collateral on loan, both the planter and the creditor shall size the power of attorney, together with the express stipulation that the board of trustees shall distribute proceeds, first to the creditor as his interest may appear, with interest and cost, and the balance to the planter. In short create a temporary pool which will try to initiate the merchandising attitude on the cotton and to remove the speculative attitude under which the spinners are simply waiting for the cotton to show. This committee would be in Tenth. Provide that where cotton is

simply waiting for the cotton to show. This committee would be in a position to give such commercial guarantees as would be essential to restors confidence to the spinners. As soon as the spinners know that the growers can be held together, that cotton will not be available at the present prices, they will begin to buy at better prices.

In a general way we have suggested the temporary pool to meet your present emergency. This will not demand money or stock subscriptions from the planters or bankers; but will demand speedy action and some confidence in the eleven trustees.



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Tri-State News In Brief

JACKSON, Mise.—Dr. T. J. Bailey, of Jackson, was re-elected superintendent of the Antisaloon league of Mississippi for the seventh time at the annual meeting of directors here. A speaking campaign to reach every town of over 460 inhabitants in the state is in progress, Dr. Bailey has announced. Orators from national headquarters are speaking in these places.

JACKSON, Miss.—The 44-hour week favored by labor unions will be one of the most important matters of discussion before a meeting of the Mississippi Employing Printers' association, which assembled here today.

JACKSON, Miss.—To raise a fund of \$1,200,000 for the cause of education in the South Mississippi conference of the Methodist church is the important work to which the Rev. J. M. Morse, of Jackson, former presiding elder for this district, has been assigned. The Rev. Mr. Morse's new position is "educational secretary" and his headquarters will be in Jackson.

NEWBERN, Tenn .- The Dyer count NEWBERN. Tenn.—The Dyer county ginning report has been announced to Nov. Is, showing that 9,174 bales had been ginned as compared with 7,996 all last year's feport. The number is almost 1,287 more bales than ginned during this period last year. The majority of the crop has been picked and placed on the markets.

KNOXVILLE, Tenn.—The Tennessee Copper company, and the Ducktown Sulphur, Copper and Iron company, both having large copper mining operations at Copperhill, have announced wage reductions of 10 per cent. The Tennessee company has also reduced the number of men employed. The Ducktown company's furnaces are said to be down for a few days.

KNOXVILLE, Tenn.—Investigation of charges of violating the Lever act was begun by the federal grand jury here. Indictments, if any, probably will not be returned until after Christmas holi-

PINE BLUFF, Ark.—The local plant of the Long-Beil Lumber company will lose down Saturday, due to slack busi-less conditions. Six hundred men are

BRISTOL, Tenn.—Fire broke out in the business district at Appalachia, Va., and destroyed four buildings, causing a loss estimated at \$40,000, according to advices received here. Three fami-lies living over their stores had nar-roy escapes.

PINE BLUFF, Ark.—J. H. Harrison, one of the most prominent negroes of Pine Bluff and grand master of the negro Masons, was arrested Tuesday evening on a charge of receiving stolen goods in the purchase of some auto three that were stolen from cars recently.

SCOOBA. Miss.—Funds are being solicited throughout the county for the rebuilding of the Presbyterian church at Enondale, this county, which was destroyed by fire some time ago. A number of people in Scooba contributed toward it.

PINE BLUFF, Ark.—William Cheney, 32, an automobile salesman, was shot and fatally wounded here. He was found dying on a street in the center of town. Later a car which he was driving was found locked with another machine with which it had collided several blocks away. Cheney died in a hospital without making a statement. WHEELING, W. Va.-Life imprison-

WHEELING, W. Va.—Life imprisonment was the sentence passed upon 16-year-old Samuel Blevens, formerly of Little Rock. Ark., in court here after the lad had pleaded guilty to a charge of murder. Youan Blevens was accused of having killed C. E. Grandstaff, a Baltimore & Ohio railroad car inspector, in a shack near this city Oct. 18 last.

MERIDIAN, Miss.—Lignite may solve the high cost of coal in Meridian. The fuel has already been used by several citizens in grates and stoves and they declare that it makes a good hot fire. The development of large lignite fields adacent to Meridian and the produc-tion of the substance in quantity is contemplated with the reduced cost of labor.

KNOXVILLE, Tenn. Judge E. T. Sanford, United States judge for the Eastern and Middle divisions of Tennessee, has armounced that he will not

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1 esg 1 e.; milk Mac. nutmeg or lemon to flavor as preferred.

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MERIDIAN, Miss.—Bishop J. W. Wood, of Indianapolis, Ind., is presiding at the conference of the A. M. E. Zion church, which began the second day of the South Missisippi conference here.

KNOXVILLE, Tenn.—A short course for Southern merchants will be again given in Knoxville next spring, under the auspices of the Appalachian Merchants' association and the University of Tennessee. A number of practical addresses and demonstrations will be given by expert merchants. BOLIVAR, Tenn.—Olivar Sain and Miss Maggie Olivar were married at the home of the bride's parents in Jackson, Tenn., Rev. T. R. Hammons officiating.

NASHVILLE, Tenn.—Secretaries of the Bankers' associations of 13 South-ern states opened a two-day conference here today at which problems confront-ing officers and employes of banks, questions of legislation and other mat-ters pertaining to general conditions of financial institutions in the South will be discussed. Haynes McFadden, a former Nashville newspaper man, will preside.

NEWBERN, Tenn.—A wedding of interest to a wide circle of friends was selemnized at the home of Rev. E. L. Atwood, in Dyersburg, when Miss Winnie Beatrice Spencer, of that city, became the bride of Mr. Samuel Pittman Cole, Rev. Atwood performing the impressive ring ceremony in the presence of only a few relatives. Immediately after the ceremony the couple left for LITTLE ROCK. Ark.—The Arkansas committee on safety and public welfare, appointed recently to assist in reorganization of the national guard and to co-operate with peace officers in emergencies, adopted a resolution asking that the legislature pass a bill placing the national guard on a mileage basis. Heretofore the guard has been dependent upon bleanial appropriations, which guard officers declared often were inadequate.

CHATTANOOGA. Tenn,—Frederick M. Stafford, 78, Confederate veteran and retired business man, having entered the Civil war with a corps of cadets under Stonewall Jackson, died at a local hotel last night. He served on the staffs of several noted Confederate chieftains. RIPLEY, Miss.—Wallace S. Moffitt, of the Park's chapel community, in this county, and Miss Mildred Barger, of Chalybeate, were united in marriage recently at the home of the bride's father, Dan Barger, of Chalybeate.

HAZLEHURST, Miss.—J. E. Robertson was acquitted of the murder of Luther Bouswell. He was tried and convicted of the murder of Lonnie Boutwell last spring and given a 10-year sentence. An appeal in this case is now pending. He will be tried for the murder of James Boutwell, father of Luther and Lonnie Boutwell, at an early date.

WAYNESBORO, Miss.—After being held up and robbed by two negroes, G. L. Chunn saved himself from a horrible death in the furnace of a saw-mill boiler; by desperate resistance to the efforts of the robbers to throw him into the fire. Otis Hall and Charles Hiccoks. negroes, are in jail charged with the robbery and murderous assault. Feeling is running high. HYDEN, Ky.—Alfred and Bill Napiere were wounded at a party on Bull creek. John Sizemore is acused of having shot both through the right leg when it is alleged they took part in a gun difference between Sizemore and Monroe Napiere. The latter got away under the smoke screen.

DEATHS.

PIGGOTT, Ark.—George W. Seitz. 60, died at his home in Piggott and was buried at the Piggott cemetery. He leaves a widow and three children, Mrs. Roy Brissenden, of Cape Girardeau; Mrs. Brock Long, of Denver. Col., and Mrs. Roy Powell, of Memphis, Tenn.

PINE BLUFF, Ark.—Mrs. Hannah E. Martin, aged 64 years, died in a hospital in Little Rock and was buried here. The deceased has been a resident of Pine Bluff many years and she is survived by one son and three daughters and several grandchildren.

MARRIAGES.

PINE BLUFF, Ark.—Miss Johanna Bohanna and Wells Bond were mar-ried by the Rev. J. I. Norris, pastor of First Presbyterian church. The bridegroom is traffic officer and the bride was an employe of the tele-phone company, and is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Bohanna, of Mis-souri.

FAYETTEVILLE, Ark.—Mrs. M. H. Johnson has announced the marriage of her daughter. Hazel Browne, to Roy Ellis Waite, at Kansas City, Mo. Mrs Waite will be at home to friends for the present with her mother at 309 West Spring street, Fayetteville, Ark., and later will join her husband at Los Angeles, Cal. West Spring street, Fayetteville, Ark., and later will join her husband at Los Angeles, Cal.

PROVIDENCE, Miss.—A pretty marriage was solemnized here recently, the contracting parties being Miss Eva

than 30 years. He is survived by his widow and three step-children.

PADUCAH, Ry.—Annual reports for the Boy Scout work in Paducah dur-ing the last year were made at the meeting here of the Paducah scout council. Over 600 mea and boys of this city are actively engaged in scout work, according to reports of the scout execu-tive. Of the total number 471 are reg-istored Boy Scouts. MITCHISLIA Miss. Miss Willard Typer and Payne Shackelford were unit-ed in marriage near this place recently. They are popular young people. PARKS CHAPEL, Mies.-Wallace

HUNTSVILLE, Ala.—Miss Effa Hall and Mr. J. S. Neely were quietly mar-ried by Dr. W. M. Blackwelder, of the First Baptist church, at his home on Madison street.

RIPLEY, Miss.—Payne Shackleford, son of J. J. Shackleford, of the Mitchell community, in this county, and Miss Willard Fryar, also of this county, were united in marriage recently.

RIPLEY, Miss.—Prof. Porter Paseur, of Falkner, and Miss Ruth Wilson, of Chalybeate, were united in marriage at Blue Mountain, with Dr. W. T. Low-rey officiating. They are both well-known school teachers.

Kentucky Briefs LOUISVILLE, Ky.—A record was set and clerks almost prostrated when 35 divorce suits were filed at the court-house in one day.

MAYFIELD, Ky.—The sheriff reports that a number of taxpayers have paid taxes with cold checks and prosecu-tions are threatened.

FRANKFORT, Ky.—A checking of the transactions of Ray Blackburn, who was sentenced to serve two years in the Frankfort reformatory for embezzlement, by State Inspector and Examiner Henry E. James, shows that the former cierk of the state board of charities and corrections embezzled \$6,136.59 from the state, of which \$5,893.89 has been recovered. Blackburn is from Decaturville, Tenn.

HARLAN, Ky.—Florence, eight-year-old daughter of Isaac Madden, was instantly killed when a 10-year-old playmate accidentally discharged a shotgun believed to be unloaded, with which they were playing.

PADUCAH, Ky.—Two pretty girls, who had run away from their homes in Treator, Ill., were apprehended here by the Paducah police and held until relatives arrived to take them home. The girls were Leona Keifer, 18, and Marie Decker, 17. They had taken rooms in a boarding house here. Miss Keifer's brother. Robert Keifer, of Memphis, came to take them back home.

Moffitt, residing hear here, and Miss Mildred Barger, of Chalybeate, werd united in the holy bonds of matrimony at the home of the bride's father re-PADUCAH, Ry.—Following a pro-longed liness of complicated diseases, Mrs. Victoria Mointoeh, 65, died at her home here. Mrs. McIntoeh was born in Graves county, but had lived in Pa-ducah for a number of years. She is survived by seven children, six living in Paducah. NEWBERN, Tenn.—Miss Namile Vaughn, of Bruceville, this county, and Roy Peel, of Benicord, were quietly married in the presence of a few close friends, Squire Bob Privett officiating:

PADUCAH, Ky.—Charles Fairbrough, 18 years old, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Fairbough, of Fuiton, died at River-side hospital here after an operation for appendicitis. The body was for-warded to Fulton. NEWBERN, Tenn.—Pittman Cole, son of Charile L. Cole, of this city, and Miss Winnie Spencer, of Dyersburg, Tenn., were quietly married in the presence of a few special friends.

Kentuckian, 133, To Tell Medicos How

(Special to The News Scimitar.)
HYMEN, Ky., Dec. 10.—Uncle
John Shell, claiming to be 128
years of age, is preparing to go to
Chicago to tell the Illinois Medical society what mode of life has
contributed to such longevity.
He also will submit to an examination.

HARD SURFACE HIGHWAY TO NEW ORLEANS PLAN

Lee Association Will Hold First Meeting in Knoxville,

KNOXVILLE, Tenn., Dec. 10 .- An rganized effort to get a hard surfaced highway through Virginia to New Orleans, has taken form in the Lee Highway association, created last April in Virginia, and which is now being extended to other states.
The first annual convention of the association is to assemble in Knoxville on Jan. 18, 19 and 20, next, the

19th being the anniversary of the birth of Gen. R. E. Lee, for whom the highway is named. the highway is named.

The association is now entering Tennessee to aid in the campaign for a hard surfaced road from Bristol to Knoxville and Chattanooga. As rapidly as possible it will enter Alabama, Mississippi, Louisiana and Texas, though the latter state now has an all-year road from Dallas west to connect with other state roads to the Pacific coast. The Lee highway, as now projected, is from highway, as now projected, is from New York to the Pacific coast, through the South and Southwest.

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